



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Docket No: Q65488

Masao MINOBE, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/810,523

Group Art Unit: 2872

Confirmation No.: 6184

Examiner: Thong Q. NGUYEN

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For: OPTICAL MICROSCOPE APPARATUS USING CONVERGENT BEAM AS
ILLUMINATION LIGHT

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2002, Applicants elect Species (a).

The relationship between the claims and the Species (a) and (b) are as shown below:

Species	Fig. No.	Claim. No.
(a)	1	1-6, (32, 36)
	42	7-17, (33, 37)
(b)	57	18-25, (34, 38)
	61	26-31, (35, 39)

Thus, claims 1-17, 32, 33, 36 and 37 are readable on the elected species.

An Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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